COPIA Litterarum Cæsarearum ad Regem Magnæ Brittanniæ GUILIELMUM III.

Viennæ, 16. *Junii*, 1689.

LEOPOLDUS, &c.

QUod Nos Serenitas Vestra de Sua & Serenissimæ Conjugis Suæ ad Regium Magnæ Brittanniæ thronum elevatione per litteras Suas, sub initium superi mensis Martii ad Nos exaratas, certiores reddere voluerit, nova & lucidenta significatio est non interruptæ illius necessitudinis & benevolentiæ, qua Nos & res Augustæ Domûs Nostræ hucusque incessanter prosecuta est: quam cum, juxta ac Serenitatis Vestræ personam, & singularia in Rempublicam merita semper plurimum æstimaverimus, nunc quoque, quæ à Divino Numine Eidem adjiciuntur incrementa ornamentaque, tanto lætiores ad animum nostrum admittimus, Vestræque Serenitati gratulamur, quanto exangescente Ejusdem potentia plus communi causæ præsidii & auxilii accessurum esse compertum habemus. Itaque ad Serenitatis Vestræ erectio tam ad ipsius gloriam quam ad utilitatem Regnorum & Provinciarum omnium, & ad tranquillitatem per Orbem Christianum

THE Emperors LETTER TO *William* III. King of Great *Britain*.

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THE Notice which Your Serenity has been pleased, by Your Letter written at the beginning of the Month of *March* last past, to give Us of the Accession of Your Self and Your most Serene Consort to the Royal Throne of Great *Britain*, is a fresh and plain Testimony of the uninterrupted Friendship and Kindness You have always had for Us and our August Family: which Friendship, together with the Person of Your Serenity and Your signal Services for the Universal Good, We having always highly esteemed; We do with so much the greater joy consider within Our Self and congratulate to Your Serenity these illustrious additions of Glory which the Divine Providence has bestow'd upon You; by how much we are perswaded that from this Increase of Your Power the Common Cause will receive a greater Support and Assistance. Therefore sincerely wishing that this high Honour of Your Serenity may be as well for Your own Glory, as for the advantage of Your several Realms and Provinces, and also for the procu-

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tianum aſserendam, ſtabiliendámque benè vertat, ſincerè exoptantes, Eidem pro amica notificatione eas, quas par eſt, gratias rependimus, Veſtramque Serenitatem de Nobis ſic exiſtimare cupimus, ut qui nihil deliberatiùs in animo habeamus, quàm veteris Noſtræ ergà Eandem amiciſſimæ voluntatis & benevolentiæ conſtantiam, novis identidem officiis declarare, & non tantùm fœdera interioriſque amicitiæ vincula, quæ Nobis & Sacro Romano Imperio jam olim cum inclyto Magnæ Britanniæ Regno intercedunt, obſervare, & rata habere, ſed etiam quicquid ad publicam Imperii, & Regnorum utriuſque utilitatem facere poterit, id omne Noſtra ex parte promptiſſimè diligentiſſimèque conferre, id quod ut ſanctiùs Nos præſtituros recipimus, quò magis perſuaſi ſumus, Serenitatem Veſtram erga Catholicæ Religionis Noſtræ conſortes, quietos, fideles dictoque audientes eâ moderatione & benignitate uſuram eſſe, quam & ipſa tum antehac ſemper in Provinciis Fœderati Belgii, tum nuper ſub abitum ſuum in Angliam Nobis per litteras teſtata eſt, & Nos Eidem tunc enixè commendavimus. Quâ ſpe freti, Serenitatem Veſtram tutelæ Divinæ ad proſperos rerum ſucceſſus ex animo commendamus. Datum Viennæ, 16 Jun. 1689.

ring and eſtabliſhing the Tranquillity of Chriſtendom: We give You for this Meſſage all condign Thanks, and deſire Your Serenity to have this Opinion of Us, that we deſign nothing more heartily than by repeated Services to manifeſt our Conſtancy in obſerving the antient Friendſhip and Amity between Us and Your Serenity: and not only exactly to keep and obſerve thoſe Alliances and mutual Ties which have long been between Our Self, the Sacred *Roman* Empire, and the Noble Realm of Great *Britain*; but We will on Our parts moſt readily and diligently contribute to whatſoever ſhall be for the common Good of the Empire and of Your reſpective Realms. And this We do the more religiouſly promiſe to make good, becauſe We are perſuaded Your Serenity will treat thoſe of your Subjects of our Catholic Religion, who are peaceable, faithful and obedient, with the ſame Moderation and Benignity, which heretofore You uſed always in the *United Provinces* of the *Netherlands*, and whereof lately You aſſured Us by Your Letters upon Your arrival in *England*, and which then We ſo earneſtly recommended to You. With theſe hopes, We heartily recommend Your Serenity to the Divine Protection for all proſperous Succeſs in Your Affairs. Given at *Vienna*, *June* 16. 1689.

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